

2012 VETERANS BENEFITS

Statistics Source: FY 2012 Department of Veterans Affairs Annual Budget

Statistics shown for Pension, Education and Disability Compensation are annual totals. Benefits are paid to beneficiaries on a monthly basis. All statistics are based on VA's distribution of benefits from Jan. 1, 2012 to Dec. 31, 2012.

PENSION

VA helps Veterans and their families cope with financial challenges by providing supplemental income through the Veterans pension and survivors pension benefit programs. These needs-based benefits are intended to provide wartime Veterans, their families and survivors with a level of income set by Congress.

EDUCATION

VA provides a number of education and training programs to help eligible Veterans and their eligible dependents achieve their academic and vocational goals.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT

VA assists Veterans who have service-connected disabilities become suitably employed, maintain employment or achieve independence in daily living through vocational rehabilitation and employment services.

INSURANCE

VA offers valuable life insurance benefits to Servicemembers, Veterans, and their families to give them peace of mind knowing their families are protected.

HOUSING

VA provides a home loan guaranty benefit and other housing-related programs to help Servicemembers, Veterans and their families buy, build, retain or adapt a home for their own personal occupancy.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION

VA pays tax-free monetary benefits to Veterans with disabilities that are the result of diseases or injuries incurred in or aggravated by military service.



PENSION

518,068
Beneficiaries

\$4.89 billion
Total

VETERANS	SURVIVORS
Average Benefit \$11,077 Per Recipient	Average Benefit \$6,930 Per Recipient



EDUCATION

945,004
Recipients

\$10.34 billion
Total

Average Benefit
\$10,943
Per Beneficiary



INSURANCE

VETERANS	SERVICEMEMBERS	SPOUSES & CHILDREN
1,258,152 Insured	2,350,500 Insured	3,121,000 Insured
\$75.6 billion Total Face Amount	\$1.098 trillion Total Face Amount	\$126.5 billion Total Face Amount
Average Coverage \$60,126 Per Policy	Average Coverage \$467,278 Per Policy	Average Coverage \$40,543 Per Policy



HOUSING

539,884
Recipients

\$120 billion
Total Dollar Value of Loans
Guaranteed

Average Loan Amount
\$220,832
Per Beneficiary



VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT

114,281
Recipients

\$799 million
Total

Average Benefit
\$9,357
Per Beneficiary



DISABILITY COMPENSATION

3,788,754
Recipients

\$53.76 billion
Total

Average Benefit
\$14,189
Per Beneficiary